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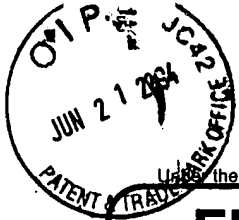
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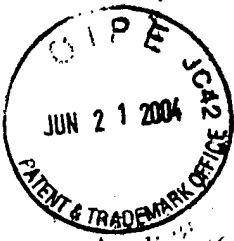
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Copies of the items listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/O8A and PTO/SB/O8B are enclosed.

Concise Explanation of Relevance

Items AB-AK listed on the Form PTO/SB/O8A and PTO/SB/O8B are not in the English language.

A concise explanation of the relevance of items AB-AJ is in the form of a copy of a Japanese "Rejection of the Application" mailed March 23, 2004, issued over the corresponding Japanese Patent Application, that was mailed from a foreign patent office, and which refers to the references. The Japanese "Rejection of the Application" mailed March 23, 2004, is listed as item AK and a copy is included herewith. An English-language translation of portions of the Japanese "Rejection of the Application" mailed March 23, 2004, is also included herewith.

In addition, items AB-AI each include an English-language Abstract.

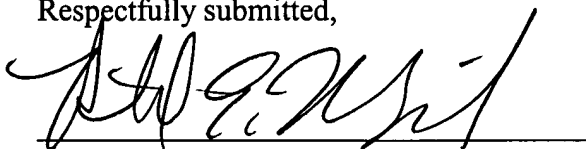
Furthermore, item AJ appears to serve as a priority document for item AA, and item AA is in the English language.

Supp. Information Disclosure Statement
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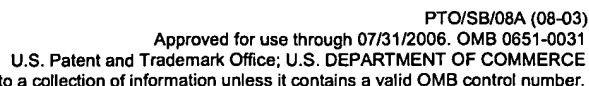
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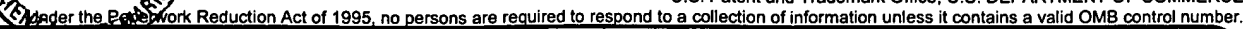
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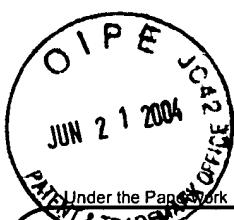
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